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## **STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER MIGNON L. CLYBURN ON THE FORMATION OF THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY NEXT GENERATION INNOVATION PROJECT**

“Our academic research institutions and their surrounding communities have been critical resources for our nation. They have educated and prepared many generations to lead this country, and the world, in both the private and public sectors. Our university communities also have been crucial in offering us world-class research and ideas that have contributed to longer and more productive lives and have spurred innovation and economic growth throughout the globe. Given their significant role in the promotion of the Internet as we know it today, it is only appropriate that they would be at the forefront in developing the next generation of Internet applications using an ultra high-speed network.

“As this Commission continues to tackle today’s challenges of ensuring that every American has access to broadband they need today, I am pleased that the University Community Next Generation Innovation Project will be working on the broadband America will need in the future. With the leadership of Blair Levin and Elise Kohn, both of whom I greatly respect for their dedication and creative thinking on broadband issues, I know this Project announced today will do great things for our nation.”

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